

Agenda

- I. Introductions w/contact information (Tamie Tatum: 765-215-1686)
- II. Purpose of 2010 Census: Mandate of Constitution to have "all people" counted every ten years in order to properly distribute federal funds (Title 1, elderly programs) {U.S. Constitution Article 1, Section 2} next census: April 1, 2010
- III. Goals: To build 2010 Census Survey awareness and comfort (simple & safe)

 To increase mail-in response rate of 2010 Census -10 Question- Survey

 To count "all people" once, where they live and sleep most of the year Census confidentiality

(safe): <u>Title 13</u> strictly prohibits disclosing census data to any other federal, state, local agency, or any foreign government. These data refer specifically to the data collected from respondents in our censuses and surveys. This also means that a court cannot subpoena that information, nor is it subject to the Freedom of Information Act or the Patriot Act. Title 13 is an airtight law that applies even to the White House, Internal Revenue Service, Department of Homeland Security, Federal Bureau of Investigation, police, military, and welfare agencies.

- IV. FYI: The more people counted the more federal funds for your community, and the population determines each state's Congressional representation.(\$4,000 per Hoosier)
- V. Role of Partnership Specialists (P.S.): The Partnership Specialists helps each 'hard-to-count' community form a Complete Count Committee (CCC)-volunteer (s) to help get the word out about the 2010 Census. The P.S. will be a technical and informational resource to the local government and committee. The HEO will appoint a chairperson of the CCC, and together we will brainstorm ideas to inform community about Census.
- VI. Outline 2010 Census information folder: Partnership fliers, Complete Count Committee (CCC) information, review of Partnership Agreement (<u>not</u> a legal document), and Census Operational timeline (below):

February - March 2010: Census questionnaires are mailed or delivered to households.

April 1, 2010: Census Day. ([simple] "10" Question survey)

April – July 2010: Census takers visit households that did not return a questionnaire by mail.

December 2010: By law, Census Bureau delivers population counts to President.

- VII. Share 2010 Census Job line number and website with everyone! They are hiring! 1-866-861-2010 or www.census.gov/2010censusjobs
- VIII. Meeting Adjourned......2010 Census 'Be Counted'

Add to your utility bill, city/town newsletter/website/meetings, local library/website, post fliers, signs, etc to get the word out **right now** that **the 'Census is coming.... Be Counted'** it's important!

Do you have **f**ree-space (ex: local community center, town hall, library) where we can occasionally interview local job candidates, set-up a **Questionnaire Assistant Center or Be Counted Site** to help individuals with their questionnaires and to make sure 'everyone' is counted?



2010 CENSUS: IT'S IN OUR HANDS

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